

The Bloomfield Record.

S. M. HULIN, Editor and Proprietor.

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All who are interested in having a life newspaper in this village are requested to send us by mail, or to the publishing office, local items of news, correspondence, etc., for publication.

No charge is made for publishing Marriage, Deaths, Religious Notices.

Single numbers of The Record can always be had at this Office, at the Post Office, and of the Newsdealers.

All kinds of PRINTING done at THE RECORD Office.

Montclair's New Industry.

The extensive Label and Wall Paper Manufactury of Messrs. Crump & Everard is now in full operation at Montclair. The label department is a printing establishment, complete in every branch. Designing, engraving and typesetting is done by skillful workmen in one wing of the building, while the main lower floor is occupied chiefly by the printing machinery, drying frames, paper-cutters, etc. Mercantile labels, printed in various colors of all sizes, and in the best style of the printer's art are here produced.

On the floor above is located the machinery for producing the patent Washable Paper, made exclusively by this firm. The plain paper is passed through rollers, and twisted coated with oil color, making a paper which can be readily washed as a painted wall, and costing but little more than the ordinary hangings. Besides a variety of plain tinted papers, all the woods are imitated, as well as fancy figures, borders, etc.

Sheriff Harrison.

Mr. John D. Harrison took his oath of office as Sheriff of Essex county, on Tuesday morning. The oath was administered in the County Clerk's office by Judge Titworth, in the presence of Judges Harrison, Condit and Ricord. Judge Titworth complimented Mr. Harrison, and congratulated him on his elevation to the high office of Sheriff. He said that it was a matter of congratulation that a gentleman, so well qualified to fill the important position, had been selected by the people. Sheriff Harrison then briefly replied, thanking the Judge for his words of encouragement and praise, and promising that by constant attention to the duties of the office, he would endeavor to give that satisfaction naturally looked for in a position of such importance and responsibility.

Col. E. W. Davis was sworn in as Chief Deputy, also the usual force of other deputies. Among those chosen is Mr. Edwin H. Freeman, of Bloomfield.

EDITOR OF THE RECORD.—The "Rules and Regulations" published in THE RECORD of last weeks' for the guidance of those who proposed attending the Leap Year Reception given on Washington avv. Wednesday evening, and signed "by order of the General Committee," were written by Mr. Dayton, of Orange, and some used at a similar company, given some time since.

It is but justice to that gentleman, and to the ladies having in charge the party of Wednesday evening, that they should correct the impression that the "Rules and Regulations," originated among themselves.

By giving this a place in your paper, you will greatly oblige

THE LADIES."

Bloomfield, Feb'y 24, 1876.

Washington's Birthday at Brookdale.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated in Brookdale by the ringing of the church bell and the usual display of our national colors. The event of the day was a Musical and Literary Entertainment given by the Young Folks of the Reformed Dutch church, for the benefit of the Sabbath School, under the direction of Messrs. Abraham Yerence and Eugene Day. Too much cannot be said in praise of the entertainment; suffice it to say the church was well filled and the audience showed their appreciation of the programme by loud and continued applause. Miss Mary Oakley as Pianist filled this very important position with much credit.

TIMOTHY BUNKUM, Esq.

The Benefit.

The sale of tickets for the grand Concert in aid of the Library Association on began on Tuesday morning. Nearly two hundred were disposed of during the day. Those who want choice seats should apply for them at once. The parquet seats have been mostly sought after, leaving the gallery, which really contains the most desirable seats from which to hear the music to the best advantage, to be filled by later purchasers. There seems to be little doubt that the house will be well filled. There are about 300 settings shown on the diagrams.

Bloomfield Avenue Assessment.

The Road Board met on Monday afternoon. The report of assessments on Bloomfield avenue, in the township of Bloomfield, was referred back to the assessors for a re-adjustment. A meeting for the purpose of receiving objection from citizens will be held in Gillett's Hotel, Bloomfield, at ten o'clock on the morning of March sixth.

Washington's Birthday was more generally observed in this village as a public holiday than ever before. Business was very generally suspended.

(For Bloomfield Record.)
Bloomfield Library Hall and its Inaugural Concert.

A brief resume of the rise and progress of the Association may perhaps be interesting as an introduction.

During the Fall of 1871 a number of the most prominent of our citizens carried into execution a project the successful issue of which had occupied the public mind for a long time. It was the securing of a charter for the Bloomfield Library Association, having for its objects the founding and perpetuation of a Public Library, with all proper conveniences, and furnishing to the public such other means of improvement in science, art, and general literature as might be deemed necessary and from time to time advisable. Also the erection of a building adapted to the accomplishment of these objects, as well as to contain a hall for public assemblies and entertainments, together with other appropriate apartments designed to yield a revenue.

Among the Corporators were to be found such men as David Oakes, Dr. Joseph A. Davis, Augustus T. Morris, J. F. Raub, and others of our principal citizens.

Subscription books were opened April 29th, 1872, and by the 7th of June following, stock to the amount of \$19,000 had been subscribed. The Association then became regularly organized and the question of the location of the building proposed was discussed.

The Directors, after a full and free discussion, finally agreed upon the plot of ground on the south-west corner of Broad and Liberty streets, (where the edifice since erected now stands). As a matter of necessity, the final choice was not made until considerable time had elapsed, and when required the season had so advanced toward winter that it was deemed advisable to defer actual operations until the following year. Plans, however, were obtained from various architects, all of whom received careful consideration. Those projected by a Mr. Holly where adopted conditionally the estimated cost being \$34,000. At this junction the term of office of the first Board of Directors expired.

The project had thus far received that degree of support anticipated and the Association horizon was without a cloud. The Board had labored diligently and earnestly and upon their retirement the subscription books showed a total of 73 subscribers with an aggregate of subscriptions amounting to \$22,500.

The Board of Directors for the following year were duly elected, but owing to the existing financial depression they were unsuccessful in their efforts to procure an adequate amount to justify the concert commences.

been able to carry to a successful issue this great undertaking. "Honor to whom honor is due."

THE GRAND OPENING.

On Wednesday evening next, March 1st, a Grand Opening Concert will be given, on which occasion the Hall will be formally opened to the public. Fellow citizens of Bloomfield, is it not the duty of every one of you to contribute by your presence on that evening, to the success of the Bloomfield Library Association? Should not those who have toiled and labored to complete this public work be encouraged and their efforts sanctioned by the approval expressed by your presence at that time? Besides, the concert itself is of a character never before introduced in our town—superior in every way to anything hitherto offered to a Bloomfield audience, this inaugural entertainment will be an event of universal interest. Mr. Aronckle, the renowned cornet player, has been engaged, and the vocal part of the programme will be provided by the celebrated Young Apollo Club of New York. This organization, in a surprisingly short time has won a reputation of which many older musical societies might well be proud. It comprises a number of the best young voices in the country, all trained with care and skill. The soprano and alto parts are taken by boys under fifteen years of age, many of whom evince true artistic taste; while the list of tenors and bassos includes soloists of most promising ability. The repertoire of the Young Apollo Club, includes oratorio, operatic, glee and ballad music, and in this respect it differs from other musical societies, who usually confine themselves to one branch of vocal art. The Young Apollo Club has appeared before the public more frequently this season than any other vocal society and its services are in active demand. Its unpretending merit and the freshness and the novelty of its voices and style of singing, has won for it the hearty endorsement of the press of New York, Brooklyn, Baltimore, Washington, Newark and other places.

The orchestra will be composed of musicians from New York, and orchestra music of the most approved character will be rendered, affording a musical banquet not easily excelled, and seldom equalled. Give The Bloomfield Library Hall an overflowing audience. Remember that all seats are reserved and those who purchase first obtain a choice. Remember also that every ticket bought is a dollar contributed to a worthy public institution. Let there be a plaque, with the words "Standing Room Only" exhibited at the door before the concert commences.

NAVARRE.

The alleged dishonesty of Charles Huff, the well-known colored driver for Mr. J. W. Potter, proprietor of the Bloomfield Flouring Mills, has been a matter of conversation during the past week. "Charley," during fifteen years past, has acquired an exalted reputation for the virtues of industry, economy and thrift, and has also been an earnest leader of his people in their religious meetings. Hence his lapse from integrity could hardly be credited or accounted for and is greatly regretted by the many friends he has won by outward good character and trustworthiness.

The imputation made against him, in brief, is that of systematically retaining portions of goods entrusted to his care for delivery to Mr. Potter's customers and disposing of them to others, appropriating the proceeds himself. He denies the accusation, but makes no satisfactory explanation to clear himself, simply maintaining that he is wrongfully accused. His late employers as well as the customer who discovered that he was being defrauded, are thoroughly satisfied that Charles has been dishonest, but to what extent or for how long a time he has pursued the habit can only be conjectured. One customer only has charged him with theft, and, so far as yet heard from, only one party has purchased goods from him without receiving the bill and receipt of the firm therefor.

The Leap Year Reception last evening, by some of our ladies, did great credit to the persons having the affair in charge. About ninety guests were present. The company unexceptionably pleasant. The elite of Bloomfield was well represented, the music, furnished by Phillips, faultless, the refreshment tempting and generous, the part played by the ladies, "well done." The floor committee managed equal to any similar committee of gentlemen that we have seen, filling the sets, which numbered nine, with ease and grace. The Reception Committee were equally successful, doing their honors with dignity.

The teachers and officers of Hope Chapel Sunday School surprised Mr. J. F. Seymour, late Superintendent of the school, by his home last Friday evening, for the purpose of presenting him with a testimonial of their esteem and regard for his faithful superintendence during several years. The gift was a handsome reception chair. The presentation speech was made by Mr. W. W. Wyman, Mr. Seymour responding. After which a very pleasant evening was passed in a social way.

The Right Rev. W. H. Odenheimer, D. D., Bishop of Northern New Jersey, will administer the Rite of Confirmation in Christ Church, Bloomfield, on Sunday, Feb'y 27. Services at 10:30, A. M. Also in St. Paul's Chapel, Dodd Street, Watseking, at 3:30, P. M.

To the indefatigable efforts of Dr. Joseph A. Davis and Mr. Augustus T. Morris are the present and preceding Boards of Directors indebted to an extent beyond the power of words to express. Without their liberal pecuniary aid and unremitting labors in furtherance of the project we should never have

LOCAL ITEMS.

Township election two weeks from next Monday.

Secure your tickets for the Inaugural Concert in Library Hall.

Mr. Sam'l. Potter has nearly recovered from his recent severe illness.

The recent cold wave has revived the drooping spirits of the ice merchants and coal dealers.

If you want any clothing cheap, now is the time to call on Sam'l. Carl, next door to the Post Office.

Mr. Israel Coe has received an appointment as Commissioner of Deeds in this township, to take effect from April 1st.

The sale of reserved seats for the Vocal Society Concert will be postponed until after the Opening Benefit for the New Hall.

A sample-book of Godfrey's Washington Oil-painted Wall Paper can be examined by those interested at the Bloomfield Post Office. See advertisement in another column.

The annual election of officers for Hope Chapel Sunday School, held last Sunday, resulted as follows: Superintendent, W. A. Baldwin; Assistant Supt., W. W. Wyman; Secretary, E. L. Baldwin; Librarians, James M. Walker and E. Morris.

List of Letters

Remaining undelivered at the Post Office in Bloomfield, Essex County, New Jersey, on WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1876.

O'Brien, John
Dugan, Peter
Ford, A. D. (2)
Gordon, Mrs. Ella W.
Goode, H.
Hopcock, William
Hornbeck, Mrs. S. J.
Hornbeck, Josephine
Johnson, Mrs. M. A.
McAfee, J. W.
McCall, W. A.
Morinier, B.

Murphy, Mrs. A. N.
Pattie, George
Schropp, F. W.
Sweet, Wm.
Thompson, Jessie
Thompson, Charles
Taylor, S. C.
Tucker, John Abraham
Taylor, John
Wieseman, J. W.
Wickes, J. W.
Younkin, John

Any person calling for the above letters will please say "unaddressed."

H. DODD, P. M.

New Jersey Legislature.

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In the Senate two supplementary bills relative to the five County Act have been introduced by Mr. Abbott; one providing that in the places under the present Five County Act the owners of lands may agree with the holders of mortgages not to apply for any deduction by reason of any mortgage from the taxable value of such land contained in such mortgage. In case any mortgagee shall break the agreement the mortgage shall become payable immediately.

The other provides that hereafter no mortgage or debts secured thereby shall be assessed for taxation unless a deduction therefor shall have been claimed by the owner of the land and allowed by the assessors; and second, that hereafter such mortgages or debts secured thereby shall be subject to taxation thereof, and the tax thereon shall be collected by the assessors, making the deduction therefrom, and the collection in case of delinquency.

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